

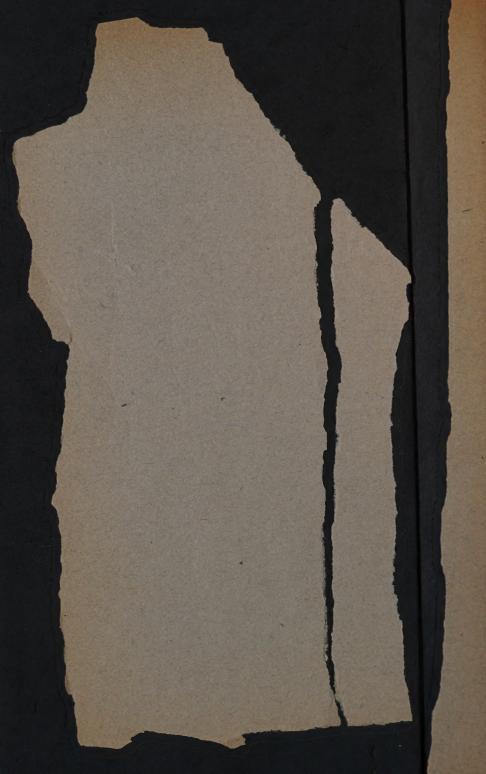
Annual Report

OF THE

OWN OF EPSOM

Year Ending January 31

1924



ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF EPSOM

FOR THE YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1924



CONCORD, N. H.
EVANS PRINTING COMPANY
1924

TOWN OFFICERS

MODERATOR

WALTER H. TRIPP

SELECTMEN

CHARLES M. STEELE, Term Expires 1924 GEORGE E. HUCKINS, Term Expires 1925 ALBERT J. YEATON, Term Expires 1926

TOWN CLERK

MAURICE C. PHILBRICK

REPRESENTATIVE TO THE GENERAL COURT BLANCHARD H. FOWLER

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

MILLARD J. YEATON

HIGHWAY AGENTS

District No. 1, BENJAMIN M. TOWLE District No. 2, WILLIAM E. YEATON

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECK LIST

WALTER B. WELLS EDWIN R. YEATON MINOT R. YEATON

BALLOT INSPECTORS

WALTER J. PHILBRICK ARTHUR A. WELLS ARTHUR H. SULLIVAN

JAMES M. STEELE

CONSTABLE

FRED W. YEATON

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

JOHN W. GRIFFIN, Term Expires 1924 WARREN TRIPP, Term Expires 1925 HELEN M. LOMBARD, Term Expires 1926

AUDITORS

SAMUEL R. YEATON JAMES L. BICKFORD (Died) HARRY SILVER (Appointed)

LIBRARIAN

DORIS E. BURNHAM

CEMETERY TRUSTEES AND TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

JOSEPH LAWRENCE, Term Expires 1924 JOHN C. BROWN, Term Expires 1925 ELLERY C. STRAW, Term Expires 1926

HEALTH OFFICER

ALBERT J. YEATON, Resigned WALTER B. WELLS, Appointed

FIRE WARDEN

HAROLD S. BICKFORD

DEPUTY FIRE WARDENS

CLARENCE O. WELLS ALBERT D. SHERBURNE

ARTHUR H. SULLIVAN

OFFICERS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

MODERATOR

LEWIS H. NUTTER

CLERK

MAURICE C. PHILBRICK

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

HENRY S. ROBERTS

SCHOOL BOARD

ELEANORA C. NUTTER, Term Expires 1924 GRACE E. MARDEN, Term Expires 1925 HELEN T. RAND, Term Expires 1926

TREASURER

ANNIE M. FOWLER

AUDITOR

OLIVER C. LOMBARD

TRUANT OFFICER

FRED W. YEATON

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

- To the Inhabitants of the Town of Epsom, in the County of Merrimack, in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs.
- You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall, in said Epsom, on Tuesday, the 11th day of March next, at inine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:
- 1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
- 2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriation of the same.
- 3. To bring in your votes for the election of Delegatesat-Large, Alternate Delegates-at-Large, District Delegates, Alternate District Delegates to the National Conventions of the Democratic and Republican parties, to be held for the purpose of nominating party candidates for President and Vice-President of the United States.
- 4. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars for Federal Aid Construction. The State to give seventy-five hundred dollars.
- 5. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of nine hundred dollars for Trunk Line Maintenance. The State to give twenty-seven hundred dollars.
- 6. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapt. 117, Laws of 1917, on a section of the

Suncook Valley road, so called, and appropriate or set aside from the amount raised for highway work the sum of six hundred and fifty dollars for this purpose.

- 7. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of six hundred dollars for State Aid Maintenance, the State to give nine hundred dollars.
- 8. To see if the town will vote to accept State Aid on the Shoe Factory Bridge, so called, and take any action relating thereto.
- 9. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the observance of Memorial Day.
- 10. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the observance of Old Home Day.
- 11. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred dollars for White Pine Blister Rust control.
- 12. To see if the Town will vote to have the Public Library painted and repaired and make appropriation for same.
- 13. To see if the Town will vote to equip the Public Library with a Card Indexing System and raise and make appropriation for same.
- 14. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the maintenance of the Public Library.
- 15. To see if the Town will vote to appoint a committee on establishing a Town Forest, as recommended by the State Forester.

- 16. To see if the Town will allow a discount on taxes paid on or before July first.
- 17. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this twenty-third day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and twenty-four.

CHARLES M. STEELE,
GEORGE E. HUCKINS,
ALBERT J. YEATON,
Selectmen of Epsom

A true copy of Warrant-Attest:

CHARLES M. STEELE, GEORGE E. HUCKINS, ALBERT J. YEATON, Selectmen of Epsom

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF EPSOM, N. H.

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year February 1, 1924, to January 31, 1925, compared with Actual Revenue and Expenditures of the Previous Year February 1, 1923 to January 31, 1924.

Sources of Revenue

	Actual Revenue Previous Year, 1923.	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year, 1924.
From state:		
Insurance tax	\$35.81	\$35.81
Railroad tax	469.05	469.05
Savings bank tax	2,023.86	2,023.86
For highways:		
(a) For state aid maintenance	- 172.56	900.00
(b) For trunk line maintenance	354.84	2,700.00
Unimp. trunk line maintenance	685.75	650.00
From local sources except taxes:		
All licenses and permits, except dog		•
licenses	1,219.58	1,200.00
Fines and forfeits:		
Damage	3.92	
Refund for aid	45.23	
Refund, balance highway account	19.42	
From poll taxes:	2,044.00	2.044.00
From other taxes except property taxes:		
	0.44	0.44
(a) National bank stock	3.44	3.44
(b) Merrimack County	41.44	
Revenue applicable only to new		
construction and improvements: From state:		
(b) For trunk line highway construction	0544.04	10,000,00
struction	0,744.64	10,000.00

	Actual Revenue Previous Year, 1923.	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year, 1924.
Amount raised by issue of bonds	or	
notes:		
Temporary loans	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Revenue which must be paid to oth	er	
governmental divisions:		
Dog licenses	166.44	
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Total revenues from all sources exce	ept	
property taxes	\$19,029.98	
Balance in treasury	4,038.59	
Amount raised by property taxes:	19,413.73	
Total revenues	\$42,482.30	

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES

	Actual Expenditures Previous Year, 1923.	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year. 1924.
Current maintenance expenses:		
General government:		
Town officers' salaries	\$750.61	\$750.00
Town officers' expenses	522.87	500.00
Election and registration expens	ses	150.00
Insurance ,	102.50	
Care and supplies for town hall	13.25	
Protection of persons and property:		
Dog damage	76.00	
Police department	61.22	50.00
Fire department	200.00	200.00
Blister rust	400.00	400.00
Legal expenses and damage	1,965.50	

	Actual Expenditures Previous Year, 1923.	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year, 1924.
Health:		
Health department	\$103.63	\$50.00
Vital statistics	10.75	10.00
Highways and bridges:		
Unimproved trunk line mainte-		
nance:		
State	685.75	650.00
Town	770.04	650.00
State aid maintenance:		
State's contribution	172.56	900.00
Town's contribution	451.44	600.00
Trunk line maintenance:		
State's contribution	354.84	2,700.00
Town's contribution	900.00	900.00
Town maintenance	5,749.24	3,500.00
General expense of highway depart-		
ment:	515.09	200.00
Education:		
Libraries	60.00	200.00
Charities:		
Town poor	211.12	200.00
Patriotic purposes:		
Memorial Day and other celebra-		
tions	50.00	100.00
Soldiers' aid and G. A. R. halls:	10.00	
Public service enterprises:		
Cemeteries	57.00	50.00
nterest:		
On temporary loans	130.22	100.00
Discount on taxes	257.42	

Estimated

	Expenditure Previous Year, 1923.	Expenditures Ensuing Year, 1924.
Outlay for new construction and permanent improvements:	er-	
Trunk line construction:		
State's contribution	\$6,744.64	\$13,500.00
Town's contribution	3,834.89	3,500.00
Indebtedness:		
Temporary loans	5,000.00	5,000.00
Payments to other governmental divisions:	li-	
State taxes	1,909.00	1,909.00
County taxes	1,536.38	1,527.89
Payments to school districts	6,393.04	8,000.00
Soldiers' bonus	808.00	800.00
Total expenditures	\$40,807.10	

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

INVENTORY FOR 1923

No.		
141.1	Land and buildings	\$582,415.00
203	Horses	19,650.00
24	Oxen	2,095.00
437	Cows	22,410.00
81	Neat Stock	2,655.00
126	Sheep	756.00
30,956	Fowl	36,035.00
1	Portable Mill	800.00
	Wood, lumber, etc.	30,940.00
1	Stock in National banks	334.00
	Money on hand	5,890.00
	Stock in trade	23,233.00
	Mills and machinery	34,631.00
	Total	\$761,510.00
404	Polls at \$5.00	\$2,020.00
8	Polls at \$3.00	24.00
	Soldiers' exemptions \$3,000.00)
Am	nount of taxes	\$21,461.17
	Rate, \$25.50 on \$1,000 valuation	
	Appropriations for 1923	٠
Highwa	ys and bridges, town maintenance	\$3,526.98
	oved Trunk Line maintenance	650.00
State a	id maintenance	450.00
Trunk 1	Line maintenance	900.00

Federal aid construction

\$2,500.00

Town officers' salaries	800.00
· Town officers' expenses	400.00
Town poor	200.00
Health department	50.00
Library	60.00
Cemeteries	50.00
Hydrant service	200.00
All school purposes	6,500.00
Gossville school building	800.00
	\$17,086.98
State tax	1,909.00
County tax	1,536.38
Overlay	\$938.81
Total	\$21,461.17
STATEMENT OF ASSETS	
Balance in treasury February 1	\$1,675.20
Due from State on Federal aid account	1,185.58
Due from Lewis Spurlin estate	37.92
Total assets	\$2,898.70
STATEMENT OF LIABILITIES	
Due School District, balance appro-	
priation \$1,000.00	
Due School District, dog licenses 166.44	
Due account Knight case 35.80	
	1,202.24
Credit to town	\$1,696.46

LIST OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town hall—land and buildings	\$2,000.00	
Furniture and equipment	200.00	
Library furniture and books	4,000.00	
Tramp house	125.00	
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT		
Land and buildings	750.00	
Tools, machinery and supplies	1,000.00	
Webster Park	1,000.00	
Hearse	200.00	
Watering troughs	150.00	
SCHOOLS		
Lands and buildings and equipment	6,000.00	

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

For Fiscal Year Ending January 31, 1924

RECEIPTS

Automobile registration permits	\$1,219.58
9 Female dog licenses	45.00
61 Male dog licenses	121.44
Total receipts	\$1,386.02
Paid Benjamin M, Towle, treasurer: 1923	
May 12, Auto registration permits	\$418.69
Dog licenses	39.00
1924	* •
Jan. 31, Auto registration permits, 1923	354.93
Auto registration permits, 1924	445.96
Dog licenses	127.44
Total	\$1,386.02
Respectfully submitted,	

MAURICE C. PHILBRICK, Town Clerk

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance in treasury, January 31, 1923	\$4,038.59
RECEIVED	
M. C. Philbrick, 1923 auto permits	773.62
M. C. Philbrick, 1924 auto permits	445.96
M. C. Philbrick, dog licenses	166.44
Merrimack County	41.44
By note, Suncook bank	5,000.00
State treasurer, highway account	7,957.79
George B. Chase, damage to guard rail	3.92
Ames account	45.23
C. M. Steele, balance Federal aid	19.42
State treasurer, insurance tax	35.81
Railroad tax	469.05
Savings bank tax	2,023.86
M. J. Yeaton, collector	21,461.17
Total receipts	\$42,482.30
PAID	
Orders drawn from 1 to 165, inclusive	\$40,807.10
Balance in treasury, January 31, 1924	\$1,675.20
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Respectfully submitted,

B. M. TOWLE, Treasurer

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

RECEIPTS

Balance in treasury, February 1, 1923	\$4,038.59
Received from M. C. Philbrick, Town Clerk	
Dog licenses	166.44
Automobile permits, 1923	773.62
Automobile permits, 1924	445.96
Received from State Highway Department	:
Federal aid construction	6,744.64
Unimproved Trunk Line maintenance	685.75
Trunk Line maintenance	354.84
State aid maintenance	172. 56
Temporary loans:	
In anticipation of taxes	5,000.00
State treasurer, insurance tax	35.81
Railroad tax	469.05
Savings bank tax	2,023.86
George Chase, damage to guard rail	3.92
Merrimack County	41.44
Henry Ames, repayment aid	4 5. 2 3
Millard J. Yeaton, collector of taxes:	
Taxes for 1923, in full	21,461.17
Charles M. Steele, balance on Federal aid ac-	
count	19.42
Total receipts	\$42,482.30

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Detail	1, Salaries of town officers	\$750.61	
	2, Expenses of town officers	522.87	
	3, Town hall expenses	13.25	
			\$1,286.73

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

4, Police department5, Fire department6, Damage by dogs	\$61,22 200,00 76.00	\$337.22
HEALTH AND SANITAT	TION	
7, Health department 8, Vital statistics	103.63 10.75	114.38
HIGHWAYS AND BRIDG	GES	
10, Trunk Line maintenance11, Unimproved Trunk Line12, Town road maintenance13, General expenses of depart	1,455.89 5,749.24	3,334.73
ment	503.09	6,252.33
EDUCATION		
14, Library	60.00	60.00
CHARITIES		
15, Town poor 16, Soldiers' aid	211.12	221.12

RECREATION

	Old Home Day	\$50.00	\$50.00
18,	Cemeteries	57.00	57.00
19,	Unclassified	269.42	269.42
20,	Insurance	102.50	102.50
21,	Damages and legal ex-		
	penses	1,945.50	1,945.50
22,	Blister rust control	400.00	400.00
23,	Acc't Knight case	· 20.00	20.00
24,	Interest on temporary loans	130.22	130.22
25,	New construction and im-		
	provements		10,579.53
26,	Temporary loans	5,000.00	5,000.00
27,	State treasurer	2,717.00	2,717.00
28,	County treasurer	1,536.38	1,536.38
29,	School district	6,393.04	6,393.04
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Total	payments for all purposes		\$40,807.10
Cash on h	and at end of year		1,675.20
Grand	total		\$42,482.3 0

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Detail 1—Salaries of Town Officers

Selectman, Charles M. Steele	\$150.00
George E. Huckins	125.00
Albert J. Yeaton	125.00
Treasurer, Benjamin M. Towle	75.00
Town clerk, Maurice C. Philbrick	50.00
Tax collector, Millard J. Yeaton	214.61

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Overseer of poor, Geo. E. Huckins Auditor, Samuel R. Yeaton	\$7.00 4.00	
_		\$750.61
Detail 2—Expenses of Town	Officers	
Record Press, town reports	\$140.00	
C. S. Hall, dinners, Feb. 10, 1923	4.50	
E. C. Eastman Co., supplies	23.48	
W. H. Tripp, treasurer's bond	15.00	
W. H. Tripp, collector's bond	15.00	
Geo. F. Mitchell, ballots and stationery	20.90	, 6
Selectmen, attending March tax		
meeting	12.00	
Selectmen, time and expense out of		
town	46.60	
Selectmen, perambulating town lines,		
Pittsfield, Deerfield, Chichester	36.00	
Selectmen, use of autos	18.00	
Selectmen, attending assessors'		
meetings	18.00	
Selectmen, dinners	30.00	
Selectmen, telephone, postage and mis-		
cellaneous expenses	28.90	
C. M. Steele, two days with T. J. King,		
investigating blister rust	6.00	
'W. P. Farmer, N. H. assessors, dues	2.00	
Harold S. Bickford, attending fire war-		
dens' meeting	5.00	
M. C. Philbrick, auto permit fees and		
cash paid auto service bureau	53.64	
M. C. Philbrick, postage and stationery	12.85	
W. H. Tripp, trustees' bonds	30.00	
B. M. Towle, expense, telephone and		
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postage

5.00

\$522.87

Detail 3—Town Hall Expenses

Lewis H. Nutter, one cord wood	\$8.00	
John Bartlett, sawing wood	1.25	
M. C. Philbrick, repairs	4.00	
		\$13.25
PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND	PROPERTY	
Detail 4—Police Departs	nent	
W. H. Knowles, blanket and saw for		
tramp house	\$4.50	
Fred Meeks, special police	19.00	
M. C. Philbrick, repairing tramp house	11.25	
Albert J. Yeaton, care of tramps	6.80	
Fred W. Yeaton, services as constable		
and expenses	19.67	
-		\$61.22
Detail 5—Fire Departm	ent	
Pembroke Water Works, hydrants	\$200.00	\$200.00
Detail 6—Damage by D	ogs	
A. P. Bickford, 9 sheep killed	\$54.00	
Hollis Hall, 1 sheep killed	6.00	
Alfred G. Bickford, 1 sheep killed	6.00	
W. B. Wells, fowls killed	10.00	
		\$76.00
HEALTH AND SANITATIO	N	
Detail 7—Health Departs	nent	
Albert J. Yeaton, expense	\$65.68	
Walter B. Wells, expense	37.95	

\$103.60

Detail 8—Vital Statistics

Detail O Vital Statist	103	
John F. Merrill, reporting births and deaths M. C. Philbrick, recording births and deaths	\$6.00 4.75	\$10.75
HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGE	s	
Detail 9—State Aid Mainte	enance	
	\$414.75 209.25	\$624.00
Detail 10—Trunk Line Mair	tenance	1
Kidder Fiske, patrolman Aaron Osborne, patrolman Charles E. Elliott, patrolman Frank H. Gray C. M. Steele Boston & Maine Railroad, freight	\$233.25 345.92 141.50 68.90 433.09 32.18	\$1,254.84
Detail 11—Unimproved Trunk Lin	e Mainte	enance
Aaron Osborne, patrolman Charles E. Elliott, patrolman C. M. Steele	\$211.25 301.25 694.80 196.09	\$1,403.39
Geo. E. Huckins, cash paid cutting		

\$52.50

\$52.50

and burning bushes

Detail 12-Town Road Maintenance

ntenance	
\$890.78	
1,673.89	
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1,024.99	
485.78°	
375.00	
39.50	
164.40	
114.66	
187.14	
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23.99	
4.65	
12.80	
16.35	
364.93	
49.00	
17.45	
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\$503.09

Detail 14—Library Approp	riation	
John W. Griffin	\$60.00	\$60.00
Detail 15—Town Poor		
W. H. Knowles, supplies, Henry Ames F. W. Yeaton, aid, Lewis Spurlin Ida M. Pickard, aid Sarah Abbott Oliver C. Lombard, aid Sarah Abbott Geo. E. Huckins, aid Sarah Abbott S. R. Yeaton, potatoes for Sarah Abbott	\$44.93 2.48 18.00 103.21 30.50 8.50	
John F. Merrill, M. D., medical attendance, Sarah Abbott	3.50	\$211.12
Detail 16—County Poor, Sold	iers' Aid	
L. H. Nutter, wood for Mrs. Foss O. C. Lombard, supplies for Mrs. Foss	\$7.00 3.00	\$10.00
Detail 17—Old Home Day Approp	riation, 19)22
John C. Brown, treasurer	\$50.00	\$50.00 ·
Detail 18—Cemeteries		
W. H. Knowles, attending funerals with hearse Joseph Lawrence, moving and raking cemetery	\$35.00	\$57.00

Detail 19—J	Unclassified	Abatements	Refunded
Detail Is-	o morassimea.	11 Daventinents	TECTUTE

E. A. Poore, watering tub, 1923 \$3.00	
F. E. Hurd, watering tub, 1923	
S. R. Yeaton, watering tub, 1923 3.00	
C. H. Palmer, watering tub, 1923	
Millard J. Yeaton, discount on taxes 257.42	
	\$269.42
Detail 20—Insurance	
Harry Silver, insurance on library \$50.00	
W. H. Tripp, insurance on library and	
tool house 52.50	
1001 1101100	\$102.50
	φ102,00
Detail 21—Damages and Legal Expenses	
Paid N. E. Martin, damages in Po-	
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18110 CASE 51 100 00	
Paid N. E. Martin, Poland auto case 162.50	
Paid N. E. Martin, Poland auto case 162.50 Paid N. E. Martin, legal services 25.00	
Paid N. E. Martin, Poland auto case 162.50 Paid N. E. Martin, legal services 25.00 T. Guignard, damage to Osgood wagon 8.00	¢1 0/5 50
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Detail 25—New Construction and Improvements

Paid C. M. Steele on Federal aid	
project, No. 181	\$10,500.00
Paid C. M. Steele on Federal aid	
project, No. 41	, 56.53
Paid B. M. Towle on Federal aid	
project, No. 41	23.00
	\$10,579.53

Detail 26—Temporary Loans

Paid Suncook bank	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
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Detail 27—Payments to Other Governmental Divisions

State treasurer, state tax State treasurer, soldiers' bonus	\$1,909.00 808.00	
Detail 28—County		\$2,717.00

County treasurer \$1,536.38 \$1,536.38 Detail 29—School District, Annie M. Fowler

Treasurer, part appropriation Gossville school building Dog licenses	\$5,500.00 800.00 93.04	
		\$6,393.04

Total \$40,807.10

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES M. STEELE, GEORGE E. HUCKINS, ALBERT J. YEATON, Selectmen of Epsom

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN ON FEDERAL AID CONSTRUCTION

RECEIPTS

Received from:

P. M. Towle town theorypen	\$10,500.00
B. M. Towle, town treasurer Town of Alton, 100 electric blasting caps	7.00
Harold Bickford, cement	6.00
Albert Stevens, dynamite	.70
Tibelt Stevens, dynamice	
Total receipts	\$10,513.70
PAYMENTS	
Warren Fowler, team	\$147.00
Frank E. Hurd, team and labor	578.29
B. M. Towle, team	479.89
Henry Ames, team	598.21
Karl F. Rand, team	371.39
George Huckins, team	537.50
Charles Palmer, team	80.89
C. S. Hall, team	70.00
Horace Bartlett, team	62.22
Clayton Mason, team	63.78
H. M. Carter, team	7.00
Fred Yeaton, team	91.00
Robert Carpenter, team	29.95
E. S. Edmunds, team	28.00
B. M. Towle, foreman	549.00
Bickford & Huckins, truck hauling sand	100.00
Bickford & Huckins, lumber and labor	151.95
Bickford & Huckins, truck moving steam shovel	25.00
C. M. Steele, paymaster	488.50

H. P. Maxfield Co., dynamite, fuse caps and	
supplies	\$243.25
Taylor Coal Co., coal for steam shovel	135.46
Silver & Young, cement and supplies	264.95
W. H. Knowles, tools and supplies	175.04
W. S. Langmaid, gravel	140.00
F. E. Everett, use of compressor and supplies	84.50
A. D. Bridge Sons, use of steam shovel and roller	375.11
C. A. Bailey, carload of crushed stone	62.37
Concrete Steel Co., reinforcing steel	56.52
J. B. Varick Co., reinforcing steel	15.86
F. B. Shaw, posts for bridge	12.50
Arthur Tasker, sand	3.60
W. E. Yeaton, use of cement mixer	6.00
Thompson & Hoague, tools and supplies	25.76
B. &. M. Railroad, freight bills	20.67
E. S. Edmunds, use of battery	2.50
S. W. Bickford, barrels	1.50
B. M. Towle, box of dynamite caps and use of	
engine	7.90
B. M. Towle, plow and use of auto	15.00
A. M. Ambrose, use of auto	2.00
C. S. Hall, lumber	7.10
Ruby Hatch, care of lights	5.00
C. N. Huckins, gasoline	1.00
George E. Huckins, posts for guard rail and	
hauling same	41.30
C. M. Steele, telephone, postage, and cash	
paid out	14.60
Karl F. Rand, use of auto-plowshoe and labor	10.00
J. B. Osborn, spring-tooth harrow	18.00
Earl R. Marden, labor	100.00
Fred C. Lear, labor	96.25
W. T. Ambrose, labor and use of auto	88.60
Fred Yeaton, labor and use of auto	116.54

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Lewis Hill, labor and use of auto 27	4.22
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W. J. Rogers, labor		\$29.17
Edgar Towle, labor		35.00
John G. Bickford, labor		33.83
Russell S. Yeaton and man, labor		66.50
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Total payments		\$10,494.28
Total receipts.	\$10,513.70	
Balance paid to town treasurer		\$19.42
Total		\$10,513.70

CHARLES M. STEELE, Chairman

ACCOUNT OF SELECTMEN WITH STATE HIGH-WAY DEP'T ON FEDERAL AID CONTRACT

Amount of contract	\$16,548.35	
Paid by state		\$6,744.64
Paid by town		3,322.65
Ten per cent. due town from state		1,118.58
Actual amt. expended by town	\$10,480.58	
		11,185.87
		10,480.58
Profit		\$705.29
Tools and lumber and posts on hand		\$325.00
Work done not included in estimat	e, about	\$400.00

REPORT OF C. M. STEELE, FEDERAL AID ACCOUNT, NO. 41

George E. Huckins, team			\$21.00
Fred Yeaton, team		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Frank Hurd, team			4.28
C. M. Steele, foreman			8.75
Kenneth Huckins, labor			6.00
Claud Huckins, labor			6.00
Leon Ordway, labor			3.00
Nelson Emerson, labor			4.00
			\$56.53
Received from the town			\$56.53

C. M. STEELE, Foreman

REPORT OF C. M. STEELE ON TRUNK LINE MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT

George E. Huckins, team		\$36.83
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S. L. Clark, team		30.33
Henry Ames, team		30.33
C. H. Palmer, team		36.83
F. W. Yeaton, team		30.33
John Yeaton, team		19.50
C. M. Steele, foreman		39.67
Lewis Hill, labor		24.50
Millard Yeaton, labor		18.17
Ernest Sullivan, labor		10.50
Curtis Ordway, labor		7.67

Neil Reid, labor	\$10	6.84
Ernest Clark, labor	13	3.67
Fred Yeaton, labor and use of auto	1:	1.50
James Steele, labor and use of auto		4.00
C. N. Huckins, labor and use of auto		1.70
Clayton Mason, labor		1.50
Kenneth Huckins, labor		3.00
Claud Huckins, labor		3.00
Warren Hamilton, labor		3.00
W. H. Knowles, tools, etc.		9.00
Ellen A. Ayers, sand, 174 loads. @ .10	1'	7.40
Lewis Nutter, sand, 49 loads, @ .10	4	4.90
Sarah Bartlett, sand, 20 loads, @ .10	9	2.00
B. &. M. Railroad, freight on tarvia	32	2.45
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	\$433	3.09
Received from town	\$433	3.09

C. M. STEELE. Foreman

REPORT OF C. M. STEELE ON UNIMPROVED TRUNK LINE MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT

Henry Ames, team		\$13.00
B. M. Towle, team		13.00
Karl Rand, team		13.00
B. M. Towle, operating road machine		8.00
C. M. Steele, foreman		22.75
J. B. Osborne, labor	,	12.00
Lewis Hill, labor		9.00
Neil Reid, labor		6.00
James Libby, labor		6.00

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George Pike, labor	\$1.00
Ernest Sullivan, labor	1.50
Fred W. Yeaton, labor	8.00
Millard Yeaton, labor	3.00
George Warren, filing saws	1.00
B. M. Towle, dynamite and fuse	5.70
Bickford & Huckins, guard rails for fence	
at Deer Meadow	71.04
W. H. Knowles, spikes	2.10
	\$196.09
Descived from town	\$196.09
Received from town	\$190.09

C. M. STEELE, Foreman

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE HIGHWAY DEP'T

TRUNK LINE MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT

TOWN OF EPSOM

Money available	State	Town	Total
Balance from 1922	None	None	None
Appropriation, 1923	\$2,500.00	\$900.00	\$3,400.00
Total fund	2,500.00	900.00	3,400.00
Expended	2,500.00	900.00	3,400.00
Balance for 1924	None	None	None

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, HIGHWAY DEP'T

STATE AID MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT

TOWN OF EPSOM

Money available	State	Town	Total
Balance from 1922	\$1.43	\$1.44	\$2.87
Appropriation, 1923	450.00	450.00	900.00
Total fund	451.43	451.44	902.87
Expended	451.43	451.44	. 902.87
Balance for 1924	None	None	None

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE HIGHWAY DEP'T

TOWN OF EPSOM

UNIMPROVED TRUNK LINE MAINTENANCE

Money available	State	Town	Total
Balance from 1922	None	None	None
Appropriation, 1923	\$650.00	\$650.00	\$1,300.00
Extra appropriation	68.12	68.11	136.23
Total fund	718.12	718.11	1,436.23
Expended	718.12	718.11	1,436.23
Balance for 1924	None	None	None

REPORT OF B. M. TOWLE, ROAD AGENT

SPRING WORK, BREAKING

Paid	P. R. Eaton, team, 53½ hours	\$40.50
	P. R. Eaton, shoveling, 126 hours	38.75
	Cyrus Marden, team, 23 hours	15.05
	Cyrus Marden, shoveling, 181½ hours	46.82
	Charles Palmer, team, self and man,	
	89½ hours	84.75
	H. E. Etheridge, team, 29 hours	19.50
	H. E. Etheridge, shoveling, 16 hours	4.50
	Millard Yeaton, shoveling, 28 hours	7.75
	Geo. Huckins, shoveling, 5 hours	1.50
	John Bickford, shoveling, 4½ hours	1.25
	Allen Tucker, shoveling, 4½ hours	1.25
	E. Demers, shoveling, 9 hours	3.00
	Oscar Davis, shoveling 4½ hours	1.25
	Charlie Etheridge, shoveling, 4½ hours	1.25
	C. Huckins, shoveling, 13½ hours	4.50
	Arthur Marston, shoveling, 4½ hours	1.25
	Charlie Etheridge, team, 9 hours	6.00
	B. M. Towle, team, 90 hours	60.00
	Lewis Nutter, team, 5 hours	3.35
	Lewis Nutter, shoveling, 5 hours	1.39
	Hollis Hall, shoveling, 38 hours	10.56
	Hollis Hall, team, 23 hours	15.35
	Watson Ambrose, shoveling, 2½ hours	.70
	Joseph Lawrence, team, 27 hours	18.00
	Joseph Lawrence, shoveling, 34 hours	9.46
	C. S. Bickford, team, 24 hours	16.00
	C. S. Bickford, shoveling, 31 hours	8.61
	K. F. Rand, team, 85 hours	56.56
	Kidder Fiske, shoveling, 62 hours	17.22
	Allen Tucker, shoveling, 4½ hours	1.25
	Arthur Locke, shoveling, 9 hours	2.50

J. B. Demers, team, $27\frac{1}{2}$ hours	\$18.40
Curtis Ordway, shoveling, 16 hours	4.50
Percy Hall, shoveling, 8 hours	2.32
David Edgerly, shoveling, 25 hours	7.00
Aaron Osborne, team, 56 hours	38.45
Horace Bartlett, team, 15 hours	10.00
J. B. Osborne, shoveling, 17 hours	4.64
Roscoe Kelley, shoveling, 12 hours	3.33
Fred Duguay, team, 63 hours	42.00
Fred Duguay, shoveling, 67 hours	18.50
Chester Seaward, shoveling, 29 hours	8.12
S. L. Clarke, team, 38 hours	25.50
S. L. Clarke, shoveling, 22½ hours	6.25
Ernest Clarke, shoveling, 22½ hours	6.25
Myron Kimball, shoveling 103 hours	28.79
G. O. Locke, shoveling, 36 hours	10.00
Harold Locke, shoveling, 36 hours	10.00
A. N. Ambrose, shoveling, 40 hours	11.25
A. N. Ambrose, team, $31\frac{1}{2}$ hours	21.00
John Yeaton, team, 42 hours	28.00
John Yeaton, shoveling, 6 hours	1.67
Frank Wheeler, team, 84 hours	56.67
Frank Wheeler, shoveling, 101 hours	
Trank wheeler, shovening, for hours	28.32
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Total,

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REPORT OF W. E. YEATON

WINTER WORK, 1923

E. A. Philbrick, labor, 3 days, 1½ hours	\$7.92
E. A. Philbrick, team, 1 day, 4½ hours	9.00
A. B. Cass, labor, 5 days, 3½ hours	13.47
A. B. Cass, team, 7½ hours	5.00
H. C. Bradshaw, labor, 2 days	5.00
Jos. Plant, labor 2 days, 1½ hours	5.42
N. M. Cofran, labor, 5½ hours	1.53
E. C. Straw, labor, 2 days	5.00
Philip Fowler, team, 5½ days	33.00
Philip Fowler, labor, 12½ days	31.25
B. H. Fowler & Son, team, 1 day	6.00
B. H. Fowler & Son, labor, 3 days, 5 hours	8.89
Frank Hurd, team, 2 days, 3½ hours	14.66
Walter Huckins, labor, 3 days, 4 hours	8.61
Frank Brown, team, 3 days	18.00
Frank Brown, labor, 2 days, 8 hours	7.22
N. H. Monroe, team, 5 hours	3.33
N. H. Monroe, labor, 1 day, 1 hour	2.78
John Howard, labor, 1 day	2.50
W. E. Yeaton, labor, 5 days	15.0 0
E. R. Yeaton, horses, 2 days, 5 hours	8.94
Edward Elliott, labor, 2 days, 21/2 hours	5.70
Charles Elliott, labor 1 day, 3\% hours	3.56
Percy Elliott, labor, 2 days, 4½ hours	6.25
Frank Hurd, labor, 9 hours	2.50
Earle R. Marden, labor, 1 day, 1½ hours	2.91
Maurice Yeaton, labor, 3½ hours	.97
Charlie Stevens, labor, 1 day, 5 hours	3.89
N. M. Cofran, labor, 2 days, 6 hours	6.67
Frank Hurd, labor, 1 day, 5 hours	3.89
Frank Hurd, team, 5 hours	3.33
Fred Stone, labor, 2½ hours	.70

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Herbert Bickford, labor, 4 days	\$10.00
A. L. Brown, labor, 3 hours	.83
Henry Waterhouse, labor, 3 days, 5½ hours	9.03
Howard Bickford, labor, 6 hours	1.67
Howard Bickford, team, 2 hours	1.33
Albert Stevens, labor, 1 day	2.50
H. B. Lovejoy, labor, 4 days	10.00
J. T. Libby, labor, 4 days, 7 hours	11.94
J. L. Libby, labor, 7 hours	1.94
C. M. Libby, labor, 7 hours	1.94
Ward Bockner, labor, 8½ hours	2.36
Fred Butler, labor, 1 day, 5 hours	3.89
Howard Saturley, team and labor	82.02
S. B. Haynes, labor, 4 days	10.00
W. B. Wells, labor, 1 day, 7 hours	4.44
C. O. Wells, labor, 2 days, 6 hours	6.67
John Moulton, labor, 3 days, 8 hours	9.72
E. L. Heath, team, 1 day, 3½ hours	8.33
Thompson & Hoague, part for plow	5.75
F. W. Yeaton, team, 1 day, 7 hours	10.67
Fred Yeaton, labor, 1 day	2.50
O. A. Ring, labor, 3 days, 6 hours	9.17
S. E. Hardy, team, 1 day, 8 hours	11.33
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S. E. Hardy, labor, 3 days, $3\frac{1}{2}$ hours	
George Dutton, labor, 3 hours	.83
J. J. MacGregor, labor, 2 days, 2 hours	5.56
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\$485.78

Received from town

\$485.78

W. E. YEATON, Road Agent, District No. 2

REPORT OF W. E. YEATON

SUMMER WORK

C. O. Wells, team, 4 days	\$26.00
H. Drolet, labor	4.78
Fred Lear, labor, 11 days, 4½ hours	34.50
W. E. Yeaton, use of auto	15.00
W. E. Yeaton, labor, 31 days, $5\frac{1}{2}$ hours	126.44
John Howard, paint	6.00
O. C. Lombard, supplies,	12.00
Kenneth Huckins, labor, 1 day	3.00
George Huckins, labor	15.00
George Huckins, team	20.39
E. R. Yeaton, horses, 12 days, 7½ hours	44.91
Bailey Lumber Co., posts	9.00
W. H. Knowles, spikes	1.75
C. M. Steele, labor, 1 day, $4\frac{1}{2}$ hours	4.50
John Moulton, team, 9 days, $3\frac{1}{2}$ hours	61.03
George Dutton, labor 5 days	15.00
J. J. MacGregor, labor, 3 days, 6 hours	11.00
Fred Yeaton, team, 1 day, 1 hour	7.22
E. C. Straw, labor, 2 days, 8 hours	8.67
S. B. Haynes, labor, 16 days, 3½ hours	49.18
F. W. Yeaton, labor, 1 day, 4½ hours	4.50
Charles Elliott, team, 1 day	4.50
Edward Elliott, labor, 1 day	3.00
A. L. Brown, labor, 7½ hours	2.38
Leon Jaworski, labor, 2 days	6.00
John Jaworski, labor, 2 days	6.00
Nelson Emerson, labor, 8 days	24.00
Russell Tripp, labor	1.17
N. H. Monroe, team, 2 days, 8 hours	18.78
N. H. Monroe, labor	30.00
Fred Yeaton, labor, 13 days, 4 hours	40.34

Fred Yeaton, team, 2 days	\$14.00
A. B. Cass, team, 4½ hours	3.50
A. B. Cass, labor, 5 days, 1½ hours	15.50
N. H. Monroe, team, 2 days, $4\frac{1}{2}$ hours	17.50
James T. Libby, labor, 13 days	39.00
Clarence Libby, labor, 6 days, 4½ hours	19.50
Lawrence Pickard, labor, 6 days, 5 hours	19.67
E. A. Philbrick, team, 5 days	32.50
E. A. Philbrick, labor, 7 days	21.00
Howard Bickford, team, 3 days, 7 hours	24.56
S. E. Hardy, team, 5 days	32. 50
S. E. Hardy, labor, 2 days	. 6.00
N. M. Corfran, labor, 7 days	21.00
S. R. Yeaton, team, 2 days	14.00
Winthrop Fife, labor, 7 days	21.00
Clifton Fife, labor, 7 days, $6\frac{1}{2}$ hours	23.17
O. C. Lombard, spikes	1.25
Fred Stone, team, 1day	6.50
Fred Stone, team, 1 day	6.50
Louis Demers, labor 4½ hours	1.50
E. E. Wells, labor, 13 days, $5\frac{1}{2}$ hours	40.82
Dynamite and powder	10.81
O. A. Ring, labor, 2 days	6.00
B. H. Fowler & Son, team	2.50
Albert Ordway, labor, 1 day, 5 hours	4.67
Maurice Yeaton, labor, 2 days	6.00
Leon Ordway, labor, 4½ hours	1.50
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\$1,024.99

Received from town

\$1,024.99

W. E. YEATON, Road Agent, District No. 2

REPORT OF B. M. TOWLE, ROAD AGT., 1924, DIST. 1

Paid S. L. Clarke, 80 hours, team	\$57.00
S. L. Clarke, 74½ hours, labor	24.75
Fred Kimball, 54 hours, labor	18.00
Ernest Clark, 127 hours, labor	42.25
Peter McKay, 31½ hours, labor	10.50
Walter Pickard, 80 hours, labor	26.50
James Libby, 141 hours, labor	46.50
Millard Yeaton, 36 hours, labor	12.00
A. Brown, 9 hours, labor	3.00
C. S. Bickford, 77 hours, team	60.02
C. S. Bickford, 26½ hours, labor	. 8.81
C. S. Bickford, 3 hours, horse and man	1.98
C. S. Bickford, moving pipe, boards and	
cement for culvert	5.25
Arthur Sullivan, 50 hours, labor	16.50
Omar Ames, 50 hours, labor	16.50
H. P. Maxfield, dynamite	8.74
George Huckins, 23 hours, team	17.00
Kenneth Huckins, 9 hours, labor	3.00
Claude Huckins, 9 hours, labor	3.00
Roy Taylor, 9 hours, labor	3.00
Leon Ordway, 9 hours, labor	3.00
Nelson Emerson, 9 hours, labor	3.00
C. M. Steele, 40½ hours, labor	14.00
Lewis Nutter, 168 loads gravel	16.80
Neil Reid, 36 hours, labor	12.00
Albion Ambrose, 26 hours, team	20.16
John Yeaton, 36 hours, labor	12.00
John Yeaton, 89 hours, team	68.50
E. M. Kelley, 165 hours, labor	54.50
Roscoe Kelley, 100 hours, labor	33.00
Geo. Kelley, 118 hours, labor	39.00
Hollis Hall, 9 hours, labor	2.50

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Hollis Hall, 43 hours, team	3.90
W. J. Rogers, 12 hours, labor	5.67
J. Lawrence, 17 hours, labor	13.50
Ernest Taylor, 40½ hours, labor	6.00
Frank Little, 18 hours, labor	21.00
Lewis Hill, 63 hours, labor	13.68
Charles Davis, 41 hours, labor	
Frank Wheeler, 50 hours, labor	36.09
Frank Wheeler, 77 hours, labor	25.66
Frank Wheeler, dynamite	5.65
Sharpening drills	.25
Spikes	.80
P. R. Eaton,	28.00
Lem Hawkins, 45 hours, labor	15.00
Warren Hamilton, 153 hours, labor	51.00
Charles Palmer, 9 hours, labor	3.00
Charles Palmer, 153 hours, team	110.50
H. Etheridge, 24 loads grade	3.00
B. M. Towle, 234 hours, team	168.81
K. F. Rand, 204 hours, team	147.00
Horace Bartlett, 40 hours, team	28.89
Noah Cofran, 108 hours, team	36.00
John Brown, 9 hours, labor	3.00
Charles Pike, 9 hours, labor	3.00
Henry Ames, 53 hours, team	35.39
Lewis Demers, 74 hours, team	53.44
Lewis Demers, 138 hours, labor	46.00
114 loads grade	11.40
5 bags cement	4.25
B. M. Towle, Agent, 25 days	100.00

Total

\$1,673.89

BOARD OF SELECTMEN, Epsom, N. H.

Gentlemen :--

In accordance with the terms of an agreement executed between the town of Epsom and the New Hampshire Forestry Commission, we are herewith submitting the report of work conducted in your town during 1923 in the control of the white pine blister rust.

OBJECT OF UNDERTAKING

This work was undertaken for the purpose of continuing the removal of currant and gooseberry bushes, which are the only means of preventing the spread of the Blister Rust disease.

There is attached herewith a map of the town of Epsom upon which has been indicated the control areas of 1923 and those of the previous years. In addition to this some private work has been shown by means of another color and small black triangles were employed for the purpose of giving the approximate location of all pine infections so far located in Epsom.

The Forestry Department has made a policy of consulting thru its Agent, town officials and others in connection with local Blister Rust control. Conforming to this policy the County Blister Rust Agent, Mr. King, interviewed all the members of the board several times before, during and after the completion of control work in Epsom. In such interviews the question of the location of the proper control areas was discusseed, methods to be employed and the possibility of securing local labor. While eradication work was underway an effort was made to have local people come out into the woods and watch

the state crew at work. Unfortunately but little success attended this endeavor as but one person, Mr. Geo. Haynes, visited the crew. However, checking of the crew work was done by the chairman of the board, Charles M. Steele, with Mr. George H. Haynes, and the Blister Rust Agent.

Blister Rust displays were placed in Short Falls and Gossville thru the courtesy of the local store-keepers. During the course of control work and at two community meetings, 125 had the opportunity of having Blister Rust work explained to them. One of the outstanding features of the 1923 control measures is found in the large amount of pine infection which was turned up thruout the locality where current and gooseberry bushes were removed. A total of 523 pine infections were located on the area worked last season. This fact demonstrates beyond all question the necessity of removing current and gooseberry bushes thruout and around white pine areas, for had these bushes been allowed to remain the infection already underway would have increased each year until the situation would have become hopeless. The following financial statement indicates the necessary expenditures involved in the 1923 work.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Town appropriation State aid		\$400.00 100.00
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Total		\$500.00
Crew wages Transportation and other expenses	\$483.73 14.12	
Total		497.85
Balance cooperative funds	was not	\$2.15

Town funds	\$1.72	
State funds	.43	
		\$2.15
Town area covered	1,840	acres
Average cost per acre	\$0.268	
Currant and gooseberry bushes d	lestroyed 34,265	

PLANS FOR 1924

In view of the general distribution of Blister Rust in Epsom, the Forestry Department feels it is very important that the work of destroying currant and gooseberry bushes should be continued until all pine areas in the town receive similar protection. It recommends that an article be inserted in the Town Warrant calling for \$400.00. The State will increase this sum 25 percent, thus giving a total of \$500.00 for control work. Free supervision, as formerly, will also be given by the State.

It is suggested that this report be read at Town Meeting and also such portions as the Selectmen deem advisable be published in the Annual Report of the Town.

Yours very truly,

N. H. FORESTRY COMMISSION,

By J. H. Foster, State Forester

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REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF EPSOM, JANUARY 31, 1924.

Balance of in- come on hand at end of year.	**************************************
Expended	5.000-0-1-5.0000000000000000000000000000
Income during year.	\$6.000.000.000.000.000.000.000.000.000.0
Balance of in- come on hand at beginning of year.	60 1,25 1,25 1,55 1,50 1,
Rate of interest.	£
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TRUST FUNDS—PURIOSE OF CREATION.	For Perpetual Care of Cemetery Lots S. M. Chesley J. A. Glough, J. Susan E. P. Forbes, J. A. Whiel How Murphy, J. A. Whiel McMurphy, J. A. Whiel McMurphy, J. A. Whiel McMurphy, J. Arbiel McMurphy, J. Arbiel McMurphy, J. G. F. Griffin, Mary B. L. Dowst, by self Mary B. L. Dowst, by self Mary B. L. Dowst, by self Mary B. L. Dowst, J. Hiram Holmes, Mary B. E. Burnham, J. Henry Knox, J. Henry Knox, J. Mallace row), by self Mary A. Evans, J. J. J. Mary A. Evans, J. J. J. Mary A. Banders, J. J. J. Mary A. Banders, J. J. J. Mary A. Banders, J. J. J. J. M. Moses, J. J. J. M. Moses, J. J. J. M. Moses, J. Sophila S. Bulfinch, J. Sophila S. Bulfinch, J. J. Wallace Towley, J. M. Moses, J. Sophila S. Bulfinch, J. M. Moses, J. J. Whitelevick, J. J. W. Moses, J. J. W. Moses, J. J. W. Wasse, J. J. W. Woose, J. J. W. Wasse, J. J. W. Wasse, J. J. W. Wasse, J. W. W. W. Wasse, J. W. W. Wasse, J. W. W. W. Wasse, J. W. W. W. Wasse, J. W. W. Wasse, J. W. W. W. Wasse, J. W.
Date of creation.	Mar. 2, 1903 June 26, 1915 Feb. 15, 1915 18, 1915 18, 1917 18, 1917 Mar. 27, 1917 Aug. 29, 1917 June 25, 1920 Aug. 27, 1921

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Sept. 26, 1922 Daniel T. Cilley, by Annie L. Towle In Savings Bank John and Salome Babb, by Annie L. Towle Jan. 21, 1924 Hilton Goodhue, by Mrs. C. H. Kempton.	For Painting and General Up-keep of Iron Fence at South Side of McClary Cemetery	Jan. 21, 1924 Mary A. Evans fin Savings Bank	For Benefit of Epsom Public Library	Apr. 5, 1908 Benjamin F. Webster Received in Bond Sept. 21, 1914 (Dr.) Orrin S. Sanders In Savings Bank	May 3, 1916 Susan E. P. Forbes	July 30, 1917 Mary A. Evans
26, 1922		11, 1924		5, 1908	3, 1916	30, 1917
Sept. 1		Jan. 2		Apr. Sept. 2	May	July

JOSEPH LAWRENCE, JOHN C. BROWN, ELLERY C. STRAW, Trustees of Trust Funds.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the Trustees of the Trust Funds of the Town of Epsom, and find them correctly cast and supported by proper vouchers.

SAMUEL R. YEATON, HARRY SILVER, Auditors.

Epsom, N. H., February 7, 1924.

AUDITORS' REPORT

ASSETS

Balance in treasury, February 1, 1924
Due from state on federal aid account
Due from Lewis Spurlin estate

\$1,675.20 1,185.58 37.92

Total assets

\$2,898.70

LIABILITIES

DUE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Balance appropriation \$1,000.00
Dog licenses 166.44
Due on account Knight case 35.80

\$1,202.24

Credit to town

\$1,696.46

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Clerk, Treasurer, and Road Agents, of the town of Epsom, and found them correctly cast and supported by proper vouchers.

SAMUEL R. YEATON, HARRY SILVER,

Auditors

February 9, 1924.

REPORT OF OLD HOME DAY.

Balance on hand from 1921		\$7.24
Received from town treasurer		50.00
	-	\$57.24
Paid for baseball	\$15.00	
Reader	5.00	•
Music	5.00	
Coffee	6.00	
Lemonade	5.50	
W. H. Tripp, use of auto and cleaning	g.	
after picnic	5.00	
Transportation of chairs	4.00	
Work on grounds	11.50	
Postage	.15	
	,	\$57.15
Balance on hand		\$.09

JOHN C. BROWN, Treasurer

REPORT OF MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE, 1923

Received from F. W. Yeaton, balance		
from 1922		\$41.29
Paid Rev. Harold H. Niles, address	\$15.00	
Rev. George Junkins	5.00	
, Kenneth Osborne	2.00	
Charles N. Huckins, transportation	5.00	
Ladies' Quartette	10.00	
Geo. E. Warren, services	2.00	
C. M. Steele, expense	1.20	
•		
	\$40.20	
Balance	1.09	
_		\$41.29

SELECTMEN OF EPSOM,

Committee

REPORT OF HEALTH OFFICER TO JUNE 1, 1923

11 4:	40.50
Abating nuisances	\$2.50
Express	.43
Telephone	3.90
Posting quarantine cards	5.00
Fumigating 4 houses and 2 schoolhouses	12.00
Postage	.15
Huckins Garage, auto to Concord with cultures	
and for antitoxin and one trip to Suncook	11.25
Geo. E. Gordon & Co., (Suncook)	3.60
A. P. Fitch & Co.,(Concord)	26.85
	\$65.68
Received of town	\$65.68

ALBERT J. YEATON, Health Officer to June 1, 1923

REPORT OF HEALTH OFFICER

Paid Albert Yeaton, fumigating and expense Fumigating, diphtheria case		\$2.50 3.00
Care of family in quarantine		1.00
Fumigators and formaldehyde		11.45
Quarantining seven cases of measles		3.00
Partial quarantine of eleven cases of whooping cough, medical expense incurred and expense of isolating	Jan	
those accidentally exposed		14.00
Sundry expense		3.00
Total		\$37.95
Received of town		\$37.95

I would recommend that the citizens of Epsom read the following in order that they may better know and do their part in assisting the Health Officer in preventing the spread of communicable diseases and thus save the town unnecessary expense.

Chapter 16, Laws of 1901 as amended, 1915

SECT. 2. Whenever any person knows or has reason to believe that any member of his family or household (boarder, roomer, or visitor) has either smallpox, diphtheria, membranous croup, scarlet fever, typhoid fever, measles, or any other malignant communicable disease, he shall, within twenty-four hours, if no physician is in attendance, give notice thereof to the local board of health of the town or city in which he resides, and such notice

shall be given either verbally to one of the health officers, or by a communication addressed to the board of health and duly mailed within the time specified.

Other communicable diseases, not named above, that should be reported are: Chicken Pox, German Measles, Influenza, Mumps, Pneumonia, all forms of Tuberculosis, and Whooping Cough.

Respectfully submitted

WALTER B. WELLS,

Health Officer.

Epsom, N. H., January 31, 1924

REPORT OF CEMETERY TRUSTEES

RECEIPTS

Balance at the beginning of the year	\$335.12
Savings Bank interest	13.14
Trustees of Trust Funds	144.15
Town of Epsom	22.00
Sale of lot	20.00
For old iron gate	6.00
Total receipts	\$540.41
Expenditures	
Care of lots	\$70.25
Painting Hopkinson fence, Gossville cemetery	73.90
Painting Evans fence	21.50
Building of wall	38.96
Mowing and raking McClary cemetery	22.00
Trustees of Trust Funds, balance from erection	
of Evans Iron Fence	229.66
Balance in savings bank	84.14
Total	\$540.41
Paid for Care of Lots	
Horace Bickford lot	\$4.00
Hiram Holmes lot	3.00
Henry Knox lot	3.00
John T. Cotterell lot	1.25
William Sanders lot	.75

Walter Chesley lot	\$2.00
Susan E. P. Forbes lot	5.50
Mary B. L. Dowst lot	2.00
Sarah N. Holmes lot and Wallace Row	3.75
J. L. Brackett lot	2.00
C. F. Griffin lot	2.00
S. M. Chesley lot	2.00
J. A. Clough lot	2.25
B. L. Locke lot	2.00
William McMurphy lot	1.00
Morrill Hoyt lot	2.00
Mary A. Swain lot	1.00
Flora E. Burnham lot	1.00
Hopkinson and Marden lots	2.00
Mary A. Evans (2) lots	14.75
Eliza J. Bickford lot	5.00
John M. Moses lot	1.00
Sophila Bulfinch lot	2.00
Daniel T. Cilley lot	2.50
John and Salome Babb lot	2.50
	\$70.25

BUILDING OF STONE WALL AT EAST SIDE OF MCCLARY CEMETERY

Amount received by contributions From general fund	\$160.00 38.96
	\$198.96
Expended for labor and teams	\$198.96

We desire to extend our thanks and appreciation to the following friends who so generously contributed to the building of the stone wall: Charles Sumner Hall, Bert

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O. Piper, Joseph Lawrence, Roscoe Hill, John W. Griffin, E. E. and F. L. Locke, Benjamin G. Hall in memory of Hannah M. Hall, C. Francis Griffin, Hollis Hall, B. M. Towle, Mrs. Sarah N. Holmes, R. Estelle Hall, Mrs. E. A. Dow, John C. Brown, Walter Chesley, Luther T. Hall, Charles Bickford, Mrs. E. M. Bixby, and Albion Ambrose.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH LAWRENCE,
JOHN C. BROWN,
ELLERY C. STRAW,
Cemetery Trustees.

Epsom, N. H., January 31, 1924.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the Cemetery Trustees of the Town of Epsom, and find them correctly cast and supported by proper vouchers.

SAMUEL R. YEATON, HARRY SILVER,

Auditors.

Epsom, N. H., February 7, 1924.

REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1923

Received as per Treasurer's Report	\$6,472. 68
EXPENDITURES	
Salaries of district officers	\$95.00
Superintendent's excess salary	133.0 0
Truant officer and school census	40.00
Expenses of administration	68.05
Teachers' salaries	3,293.22
Text books	150.45
Scholars' supplies	109.03
Other expenses of instruction	13.10
Janitor service	92.25
Fuel	109.67
Installing water at Gossville	35.00
Janitors' supplies	18.94
Minor repairs and expenses	109.23
Transportation of pupils	475.75
High school and academy tuition	1,062.50
Insurance	50.00
New equipment	159.90
Tax for state-wide supervision	248.00
Medical inspection 1920 and 1921	80.00
Total .	\$6,343.09
Balance on hand June 30, 1923	\$129.59

PAYMENTS IN DETAIL

Louisa T. Richardson, teaching	\$60.00
Mildred M. Hayes, teaching	60.00
Nellie F. Cole, teaching	65.00
Edith Robinson, teaching	65.00
Carrie B. Campbell, teaching	72.00
Louisa T. Richardson, teaching	60.00
Mildred M. Hayes, teaching	60.00
Nellie F. Cole, teaching	65.00
Edith Robinson, teaching	65.00
Carrie B. Campbell, teaching	72.00
Walter H. Tripp, cash paid for cleaning school-	
houses	25.00
J. B. Osborne, transportation of pupils	110.00
W. H. Tripp, insurance	50.00
Louisa T. Richardson, teaching	60.00
Mildred M. Hayes, teaching	60.00
Nellie F. Cole, teaching	65.00
Edith Robinson, teaching	65.00
Carrie B. Campbell, teaching	72.00
Ford Foundry Co., stove repairs	11.75
Emma P. Clough, superintendent's excess salary	133.00
C. S. Bickford, repairs at New Orchard	18.00
J. B. Osborne, transportation	55.00
H. S. Roberts, expenses of administration	48.05
Roscoe Hill, M. D., medical inspection, 1920	
and 1921	80.00
C. H. Pike, minor repairs at Gossville	1.25
Pembroke Water Works, installing water at	
Gossville	35.00
Elbridge Bartlett, janitor service	15.00
Kenneth Reid and Frank Little, janitor service	14.25
C. F. Haynes, repairs at New Rye	21.00
E. E. Babb & Co., scholars' supplies	79.78
Carrie B. Campbell, teaching	64.00

Nellie F. Cole, teaching	\$36.00
Edith Robinson, teaching	36.00
Mildred M. Hayes, teaching	32.00
Louisa T. Richardson, teaching	32.00
Nellie F. Cole, teaching	65.00
Mildred M. Hayes, teaching	60.00
Louisa T. Richardson, teaching	60.00
Union School District, Concord, tuition	82.50
J. B. Osborne, transportation	55.00
Abbie McLeod	72.00
Ada F. Little, cleaning schoolhouse	5.00
O. A. Ring, truant officer and census taker	40.00
Edith Robinson	65.00
George W. Fowler, academy tuition	375.00
Silver & Young, janitor's supplies	2.25
O. C. Lombard, janitor's supplies	16.69
Bickford and Huckins, fuel and lumber	51.28
Nellie F. Cole, teaching	65.00
Mildred M. Hayes, teaching	60.00
Louisa T. Richardson	60.00
'Abbie McLeod	72.00
School District of Pittsfield, High school tuition	69.48
George E. Farrand, Treasurer, tax for state-wide	
supervision	24 8.00
Richard G. Worth, janitor service	10.00
Howard W. Tallman, janitor service, 1920	10.00
Edith Robinson, teaching	101.22
Abbie McLeod	56.00
Nellie F. Cole	65.00
Louisa T. Richardson	60.00
Mildred M. Hayes	60.00
Ryan & Buker, maps, etc.	159.90
World Book Co., text-books	50.17
Milton Bradley Co., text-books	10.15
American Book Co., text-books	10.72

J. B. Osborne, transportation	\$110.00
C. H. Pike, repairs at Gossville	1.25
Kenneth A. Reid, janitor service	10.50
Ryan and Buker, scholars' supplies	19.45
Nellie F. Cole, teaching	65.00
Mildred M. Hayes, teaching	60.00
Louisa T. Richardson, teaching	60.00
Katharine Coulson, teaching	88.00
E. Mildred Scribner, teaching	65.00
Union School District of Concord, high school	
tuition	82.50
James L. Bickford, two cords wood	14.00
Lorne Skinner, hauling wood	5.00
Walter H. Tripp, salary, member school board	30.00
Grace E. Marden, salary, member school board	25.00
Eleanora C. Nutter, salary, member school board	25.00
Annie M. Fowler, salary, treasurer	15.00
Henry S. Roberts, cash paid securing two teachers	20.00
Harry Houston, writing lessons and manuals	7.30
World Book Co., books	79.41
Standard Book Co., ink	2.50
E. Mildred Scribner, teaching	95.00
J. B. Osborne, transportation	110.00
Louisa T. Richardson	60.00
Mildred M. Hayes	32.00
Katharine Coulson	88.00
Nellie F. Cole	36.00
E. Mildred Scribner	40.00
Bailey Lumber Co., wood	8.00
John O. Bellerose, repairs on water system	1.95
Kenneth Reid, cleaning schoolhouse after	
fumigation	.75
Oral and Koster, diplomas	11.80
George W. Fowler, academy tuition	357.50
School District of Pittsfield, High school tuition	95.52

Louisa T. Richardson, teaching	\$88.00
Mildred M. Hayes, teaching	60.00
Nellie F. Cole, teaching	65.00
E. Mildred Scribner, teaching	80.00
Katharine Coulson, teaching	110.00
Kenneth A. Reid, janitor service	5.50
Nellie F. Cole, teaching and janitor service	78.50
Mildred M. Hayes, teaching	56.00
Richard Worth, janitor service and cleaning	10.50
George H. Haynes, sawing wood, etc.	3.42
J. B. Osborne, transportation	19.25
L. H. Nutter, wood	47.25
Eleanora C. Nutter, ribbon for diplomas	1.30
J. B. Osborne, transportation	16.50

In addition to the financial statement, the school board desires to submit at this time the following report:

According to the school census taken by Mr. F. W. Yeaton, there are enumerated in the town between the ages of five and sixteen years, 59 boys and 59 girls, making a total of 118.

It will be seen from the table of school attendance that the problem of absence and tardiness is still a very serious one. Although there may often be a good excuse for non-attendance, and we think there are comparatively few cases of genuine truancy in our town, we do believe it a deplorable condition that during the school year 284 cases of tardiness have been recorded, an increase of more than a hundred over the previous year. As this necessarily must interfere with the best work of our schools we strongly urge the co-operation of all parents in an endeavor to remedy this condition.

Three pupils completed the eighth grade work last June and received diplomas at their own schools where appropriate exercises were held. The graduates were Arthur G. Huckins and Richard G. Worth at Short Falls, and Kenneth A. Reid at New Orchard.

We are pleased to learn that all these boys are continuing their studies in more advanced schools this year.

During the summer vacation various minor repairs were made at all the schoolhouses. The Gossville schoolhouse was shingled, as was also one side of the Center schoolhouse and the wood-shed. Hyloplate blackboards were placed in the New Rye and Gossville schoolhouses. As the stove at Short Falls failed to heat the room properly a new one was purchased to take its place. The old stove was taken to New Orchard to replace one there which was unfit for use. New flags were provided for each school.

Owing to the removal of five pupils from the North Road district, and also because no provision was made at the annual meeting for necessary repairs on this schoolhouse, no school was opened there. Four pupils are conveyed from this district to the Center, and four others in the extreme northerly part of the town are attending the South Pittsfield school as has been the custom for several years.

Messrs. B. M. Towle and George E. Huckins were chosen by the school board to assist in the work of re-modeling the school building at Gossville. Mr. James N. Pringle, Deputy Commissioner of Education visited Epsom, where he inspected and approved plans for an addition to the schoolhouse. The plan as followed reduced slightly the size of the original room by cutting off a space at the left for a corridor. A door at the upper end of this opens at the rear of the schoolhouse. Each schoolroom has two doors opening into the corridor, Windows for lighting are on one side only as provided in the specifications for approved schoolhouses. Ventilating windows

are placed at the right side of the new and at the rear of the old room, respectively. For sanitary reasons it was thought best to provide modern toilet facilities. Consequently, closets installed in the basement are connected with a septic tank. Twenty-four adjustable single seats were purchased for the new room in which the four lower grades are being taught.

Through the generosity of Mr. C. S. Hall the playground is to be considerably enlarged by additional land at the rear of the building. This will be available as soon as the land can be enclosed by a suitable fence. We hope this may be done early in the coming spring.

We wish to take this means of publicly expressing our appreciation and gratitude to Mr. Herbert W. Colby, who furnished plans for the building, also to the many citizens and out-of-town friends through whose interst and loyal co-operation we have secured much help.

Respectfully submitted,

ELEANORA C. NUTTER, GRACE E. MARDEN, HELEN T. RAND, School Board.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF SCHOOL DISTRICT

For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1923

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand, July 1, 1922 \$163.73

Received from town:

Dog license money 168.95 School appropriation 6,140.00

\$6,472.68

EXPENDITURES

Paid orders drawn by school board \$6,343.09

Balance on hand June 30, 1923 \$129.59

Respectfully submitted,

ANNIE M. FOWLER,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Board and Citizens:

I herewith submit my fourth annual report of the schools of Epsom.

There were maintained during the year five schools, for a school year of thirty-six weeks. There was one change in the teaching force. Miss Edith Robinson resigned and Miss Scribner took her place.

The principle upon which our nation was founded—that of equal rights and equal opportunities to all, is the principle upon which our present school law was enacted by the legislature in 1919, namely: "that every child of school age in the State should be furnished opportunities, as nearly equal as possible, to obtain a common school education and should be compelled to avail himself of those opportunities."

School officers, state and local, are working to accomplish this end.

Equal opportunities for the education of children in the rural schools are slow of attainment.

The children of the city and large village attend school in a comfortable, sanitary, well-heated and well-lighted building with modern toilet rooms; taught by well-trained teachers, in classes large enough to arouse enthusiasm, and are given facilities that modern progress has provided.

The children of the rural communities assemble in a one-room schoolhouse having no modern heating, ventilating and toilet facilities; taught for the most part by inexperienced and untrained teachers to whom is given the entire range of elementary subjects, to be taught to small groups of pupils, and in many schools with only one or two pupils in some of the grades.

The problem of securing well-trained teachers for the rural school is perhaps the most difficult. Persons having completed high school and normal school courses are ambitious to obtain positions in village and city schools where they may earn larger salaries, have modern school conveniences, live in a home having modern improvements, and have opportunity for enjoying the benefits received from libraries, entertainments, fraternal organizations, and church associations.

Too often the boarding place in rural communities is at such a distance from the schoolhouse as to cause inconvenience and more or less hardship for the teacher. In some localities it is difficult to find a boarding place, and then the reason given for taking the teacher is that they want the school kept open.

The comparative low salary the teacher receives, and the corresponding low board she can pay, offers no financial inducement to board her, but it shows the public spirit of the one who is willing to accept the teacher as a boarder.

I am in favor of a one-room school, it may be owing to my early training in one, but I am in favor of a one-room school taught by a well-trained, well-paid, contented teacher, in a comfortable modern schoolhouse, with a pupil enrollment large enough to arouse enthusiasm in both teacher and pupil, in a community willing to cooperate with the teacher in having a good school.

There are 722 one-room schools in New Hampshire, and to keep these schools open it appears that these communities ought to furnish from their midst, teachers for these schools and a comfortable home for the teacher located near the schoolhouse.

TEACHERS' MEETINGS

The teachers' meetings held during the year have been well attended by the teachers, who have shown interest in this line of educational work. At one meeting there were thirty-one present, when the keeping of the register was explained and the school law discussed. At another meeting thirty-two teachers and six members of the school boards were present.

At this meeting Dr. E. W. Butterfield discussed the educational changes in the state in the last seven years, and Miss Bernice Batchelder of Massachusetts spoke on the subject of reading.

The talks of both speakers were exceedingly interesting and instructive.

The teachers and school boards of the Union have formed a Teachers' Association and have already held one meeting and have voted to have at least four meetings a year. The next meeting is to be held February 9th at Hooksett No. 4 school. The public is cordially invited to attend these meetings.

I wish to emphasize the benefits derived from teachers' meetings. They are the best known means of giving efficiency and harmony to a system of instruction and for securing unity of method. They offer an incentive for broader and more thorough study of school interests and duties.

I would recommend to the school board that they grant time for these meetings, considering the teacher's attendance upon these meetings part of her school duty.

ATTENDANCE

In some of the schools the attendance was not commendable. Several boys and girls who have graduated between the ages of 14 and 16 have been denied the privilege of working in manufacturing establishments because they did not attend school three hundred half-days as required by law. The law covering these cases reads as follows:

"Such (school) record shall certify the child has regularly attended the public schools, or private schools approved as such, for not less than three hundred half-days, as shown by the school register, during the year previous to the arriving at the age of fourteen, or during the year previous to applying for such school record, and whether he is able to read understandingly and write legibly, simple sentences in the English language."

If parents would visit the school which their children attend they would get an accurate knowledge of the affairs in the school room, the standing of their children in their classes, and of the problems which confront the teacher. These visits would display an interest on the part of the parent in the work-a-day doings of the school and a willingness to co-operate with the teacher. These visits also ought to decrease tardiness, absence and truancy.

Most of the teachers have been faithful and have done commendable work.

In conclusion I wish to express my appreciation for your hearty co-operation and assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY S. ROBERTS.

SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1924-1925

September 8, 1924, to December 19, 1924	14	weeks
Thanksgiving Recess, November 21 to December	1.	
January 5, 1925, to February 20, 1925,	7	weeks
March 2, 1925, to April 17, 1925,	7	weeks
April 27, 1925, to June 19, 1925,	8	weeks

No-School Days

October 12th	Fast Day
General Election Day	Memorial Day
February 22nd	Institute Days

ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE

NEW RYE

Jane Jaworska Alice Jaworska Joseph Jaworska Eldon Howard

NEW ORCHARD

John B. Yeaton

NAMES OF HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

CONCORD HIGH SCHOOL

Hazel A. Philbrick

Kenneth M. Huckins

Claude Huckins

PITTSFIELD HIGH SCHOOL

Hattie E. Ambrose

Allan P. Barton

Clara May Bickford

PEMBROKE ACADEMY

Ruth P. Boehner
Gladys Moulton
Helen M. Skinner
George W. Knowles
George O. Moulton
Ray F. Murby
Curtis W. Ordway

Dean E. Ordway
Heon A. Ordway
Howard J. Tallman
Leroy A. Taylor
Russell F. Tripp
Kenneth J. Yeaton
Maurice A. Yeaton

I hereby certify that I have examined the books of the School Board and Treasurer of the School District for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1923, and find them correctly cast and supported by proper vouchers,

OLIVER C. LOMBARD, Auditor.

June 30, 1923.

ATTENDANCE TABLE FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1923

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эдсө	Average daily absence		1	00	=		00
. ээпари	Average daily atte	10	13	28	10	12	73
	Non-residence	0	0	0	0	.0	0
of.	IstoT	14	15	89	14	15	91
Whole No. of Pupils Registered	Girls	7	. 9	16	4	i-	40
Wh	Boys	I.	6	17	10	90	51
Regra-	Total	14	15	60	14	15	91
No. Pupils Regis- tered, not Reg- istered Elsewhere	Siria	2	9	16	4	7	40
No. P tered	Boys	F.	. 4	17	10	œ	51
That re	Pupils not absent	0	4	0	-	0	5
Visits by parents and citizens		42	30	54	31	94	221
brao	Visits by Superintendent Visits by School Board		4	10	ro	4	27
andent			13	17	15	13	72
uess	Instances of tardi	48	25	116	35	0,9	284
эрисе	No. half days absence		379	1,080	370	228	2,747
No. half days attendance		3,578	4,394	9,984	3,429	4,172	25,557
	No. half days lost	18	17	18	16	24	93
No. half days school was in session		342	343	342	344	336	1,707
EPSOM SOHOOL	District	Short Falls	New Rye	Gossville	New Orchard	Center	

REPORT OF PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES

The Trustees of the Epsom Public Library herewith present their report of the financial condition, the librarian's record, and the list of books added to the library since our last report.

We have received one volume from the estate of S. Ward Mason, of Pittsfield, N. H., and three volumes from Mrs. Mary F. Batchelder of our town which we hereby acknowledge. We also gratefully acknowledge the receipt of twenty-one volumes for our International Mind Alcove from the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. GRIFFIN, WARREN TRIPP, HELEN M. LOMBARD,

Trustees.

January 31, 1924.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

RECEIPTS

Balance at beginning of the year	\$61.43
Trustees of trust funds	125.00
Town of Epsom	60.00
Fines	8.84
Petty cash balance, library, Jan. 31, 1923	3.67

Total \$258.94

EXPENDITURES

May S. Brown, services as librarian	\$20.77
O. C. Lombard, books	60.00
O. C. Lombard, supplies	1.75
Doris E. Burnham, cleaning library	7.82
Hampshire Bookshop, Inc., books	73.97
Granite Monthly	2.00
Hampshire Bookshop, Inc., books	4.96
Doris E. Burnham, services as librarian to	
January 1st	19.23
C. S. Hall, 3 loads stove wood	8.00
Reigh W. Carter, shoveling snow	1.00
Ladder, mucilage, labels and library incidentals	5.46
Petty cash, in hands of librarian	7.05
Balance on hand	46.93
Total	\$258.94
Amount in hands of Trustees of Trust Funds available for book purchase	\$426.04
LIBRARY ENDOWMENT FUNDS	
Dr. Orrin S. Sanders' fund	\$100.00
Mary A. Evans' Fund	500.00
Benjamin F. Webster fund	1,000.00
Susan E. P. Forbes' fund	2,000.00
Total	\$3,600.00
Librarian's Record	
Number of books owned by library, about 2,780	volumes
Active borrowers	230
Number of volumes non-fiction lent	652

Number of volumes fiction lent Number of unbound periodicals lent 1,981
Total circulation 2,863
Number of books added, exclusive of public documents 190
BOOKS ADDED TO LIBRARY SINCE 1923 TOWN REPORT
Class H (History)
285 History of the Sixth New Hampshire Regiment Lyman Jackman
Class M (Miscellaneous)
323 The Development of the British Empire Howard Robinson 324 Human Australasia Charles Franklin Thwing 325 Economic Problem of Democracy Arthur Twining Hadlay 326 The Changing Chinese Edward Alsworth Ross 327 Beyond Shanghai Harold Speakman 328 The Water World Prof. J. W. Van Dervoort 329 Economic Consequences of the Peace J. M. Keynes 330 Soldiers and Sailors in the Armenian War for Independence Capt. Joachim Coleman 331 Recent Problems in Foreign Policy David Jayne Hill 332 Understanding Italy Clayton Sedgwick Cooper 333 An Introduction to World Politics Herbert Adams Gibbons 334 Between the Lines in Asia Minor Mary Caroline Holmes

335	Autocracy and Revolution in Russia
	Sergius A. Korff
336	Relations Between France and Germany
	Henri Lichenberger
337	Dante and His Influence Thomas Nelson Page
338	The Northward Course of Empire
	Vilhjalmur Stefansson
339	What Civilization Owes to Italy James J. Walsh
340	The Real Japanese Question K. K. Kawakami
341	Norwegian Towns and People Robert Medill
342	Building the American Nation
	Nicholas Murray Butler
343	Holland Under Queen Wilhelmina A. J. Barnouw

Class F (Fiction)

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3010	The Lost Trail	Zane Grey
3011	Border Legion	Zane Grey
3012	The Silver Horde	Rex Beach
3013	Mistress of Shenstone	Florence L. Barclay
3014	The Best Man	Grace L. H. Lutz
3015	Tess of the Storm Country	Grace Miller White
3016	The White Ladies of Worcester	Florence L. Barclay
3017	Lonesome Trail	B. M. Bower
3018	Glory of Youth	Temple Bailey
3019	In Secret	Robert W. Chambers
3020	A Voice in the Wilderness	Grace L. H. Lutz
3021	Lydia of the Pines	Honoré Willsie
3022	Daddy Long-Legs	Jean Webster
3023	We Can't Have Everything	Rupert Hughes
3024	Seventeen	Booth Tarkington
3025	Poor Little Rich Girl	Eleanor Gates
3026	Manslaughter,	Alice Duer White
3027	When Knighthood was in Flower	er Charles Major
3028	The Bite of Benin	Robert Simpson
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3029 The Prisoner of Zenda	Anthony Hope
3030 The Law of the Gun	Ridgwell Cullum
3031 Way Down East	Jos. R. Grismer
3032 The Branding Iron	Katherine Newlin Burt
3033 Yellow Men and Gold	Gouverneur Morris
3034 The Age of Innocence	Edith Wharton
3035 Dangerous Days	Mary Robert Rinehart
3036 When a Man Marries	Mary Robert Rinehart
3037 "K"	Mary Robert Rinehart
3038 Story of Julia Page	Kathleen Norris
3039 Mother	Kathleen Norris
3040 "Drag" Harlan	Charles Alden Seltzer
3041 The Two Gun Man	Charles Alden Seltzer
3042 The Trail Horde	Charles Alden Seltzer
3043 Cappy Ricks	Peter B. Kyne
3044 "Bean" Rand	Charles Alden Seltzer
3045 If You Believe It, It's So	Perley Poore Sheehan
3046 Freckles	Gene Stratton Porter
3047 The Great Impersonation	E. Philip Oppenheim
3048 Six Star Ranch	Eleanor Porter
3049 Winna Take All	Larry Evans
3050 Rupert of Hentzau	Anthony Hope
3051 Miss Lulu Bett	Zona Gale
3052 Valley of the Giants	Peter B. Kyne
3053 Kindred of the Dust	Peter B. Kyne
3054 The Mantle of Silence	E. J. Roth
3055 The Leather Pusher	H. C. Witwer
3056 Man to Man	Jackson Gregory
3057 Bells of San Juan	Jackson Gregory
3058 Sisters	Kathleen Norris
3059 The Wolf Hunters	James Oliver Curwood
3060 The River's End	James Oliver Curwood
3061 Valley of Silent Men	James Oliver Curwood
3062 Golden Swan	James Oliver Curwood
3063 Flower of the North	James Oliver Curwood

3064 Back to God's Country	James Oliver Curwood
•	James Oliver Curwood
3066 Courage of Marge O'Doone	James Oliver Curwood
3067 The Hunted Woman	James Oliver Curwood
3068 Kazan	James Oliver Curwood
3069 Danger Trail	James Oliver Curwood
3070 Lamp in the Desert	Ethel M. Dell
3071 Bars of Iron	Ethel M. Dell
3072 Peg o' My Heart	J. Hartley Manners
3073 A Bachelor Husband	Ruby Ayres
3074 The U. P. Trail	Zane Grey
3075 Ken Ward in the Jungle	Zane Grey
3076 The Young Lion Hunter	Zane Grey
3077 The Red Headed Outfielder	Zane Grey
3078 The Short Stop	Zane Grey
3079 The Young Pitcher	Zane Grey
3080 The Last of the Great Scou	its Zane Grey
3081 A Woman Named Smith	Marie Conway Oemler
3082 The Man of the Desert	G. L. H. Lutz
3083 Beasts of Tarzan	Edgar Rice Burroughs
3084 Tarzan and the Jewels of ()par
	Edgar Rice Burroughs
3085 The Warlord of Mars	Edgar Rice Burroughs
	Edgar Rice Burroughs
3087 Tarzan the Terrible	Edgar Rice Burroughs
3088 Tarzan the Untamed	Edgar Rice Burroughs
3089 Jungle Tales of Tarzan	0
·3090 The Luck of the Mounted	_
3091 Benton of the Royal Moun	-
3092 The Broken Halo	Florence L. Barclay
3093 Her Prairie Knight	B. M. Bower
3094 Rim O' the World *	B. M. Bower
3095 Storm of the Desert	B. M. Bower
3096 Shepherd of the Hill	Harold Bell Wright
3097 Sunny Ducraw	Henry St. John Cooper

3098 Main Street	, Sinclair Lewis
3099 The Flying Legion	George Allen England
3100 Judy of Rogue's Harbor	Grace Miller White
3101 Glenn of the Mountains	Harriet S. Comstock
3102 The Flirt	Booth Tarkington
3103 The Wilderness Mine	Harold Bindloss
3104 Told By Uncle Remus	Joel Chandler Harris
3105 Orphans of the Storm	Henry MacMahan
3106 Slippy McGee	Marie Conway Oemler
3107 The Hundredth Chance	Ethel M. Dell
3108 From the Valley of the M	
5100 From the valley of the M.	Grace Miller White
3109 Steele of the Royal Mount	
5105 Steele of the Royal Moun	James Oliver Curwood
3110 The Middle of the Road	Philip Gibbs
5110 The Middle of the Road	i miip Gibbs
Class J (Juvenile	e Fiction)
368 Arabian Nights	
369 Little Women	Louisa M. Alcott
370 Little Men	Louisa M. Alcott
371 Jo's Boys	Louisa M. Alcott
372 Lulu's Library, vol. I	Louisa M. Alcott
373 Lulu's Library, vol. II	Louisa M. Alcott
374 Lulu's Library, vol. III	Louisa M. Alcott
375 Fairy Tales	Hans C. Anderson
376 Peter Pan Pieture Book	J. M. Barrie
377 Joan of Arc	M. Boutet De Mouvel
378 Pied Piper of Hamelin	Robert Browning
379 Burgess Bird Book	Thornton W. Burgess
380 Burgess Animal Book	Thornton W. Burgess
381 Flower Book	Thornton W. Burgess
382 Cruise of the Cachalot	Frank T. Bullen
383 Alice in Wonderland	Lewis Carroll
384 Thru' the Looking Glass	Lewis Carroll
385 Adventures of Odysseus	Padraic Colum
386 The Children of Odin	Padraic Colum

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	The Golden Fleece	Padraic Colum
	The Black Tulip	Alexander Dumas
	Boys' Book of Scouts	Fitzhugh
	The Wind in the Willows	Kenneth Grahame
	Katrinka	Helen E. Haskell
	Tanglewood Tales	Nathaniel Hawthorne
	Aztec Treasure House	Thomas A. Janvier
	Uncle Remus	Joel Chandler Harris
	Stories from the Life of Chri	
	Water Babies	Charles Kingsley
		Rudyard Kipling
		Rudyard Kipling
	Just So Stories	Rudyard Kipling
		Rudyard Kipling
	Cinderella	Andrew Lang
	Dick Whittington	. Andrew Lang
	Little Red Riding Hood	Andrew Lang
404	Princess on the Glass Hill	Andrew Lang
405	Sleeping Beauty	Andrew Lang
406	Wonderful Adventures of Nils	Selma Langerlof
407	Story of Dr. Doolittle	Hugh Lofting
408	Pinocchio	Lorenzini
4 09	Mother Goose	1
410	Blue Bird Book for Children	
	Madame	Maurice Maeterlinck
411	At the Back of the North Wine	d George MacDonald
412	Princess and the Goblin	George MacDonald
413	Princess and Curdie	George MacDonald
414	Boy's King Arthur	Sir Thomas Malory
415	Little Lame Prince	Mulock
416	Eskimo Twins	Lucy Fitch Perkins
417	Mexican Twins	Lucy Fitch Perkins
418	Japanese Twins	Lucy Fitch Perkins
419	Italian Twins	Lucy Fitch Perkins
420	Dutch Twins	Lucy Fitch Perkins

421 Swiss Twins	Lucy Fitch Perkins
422 Pie and the Patty Pan	Beatrix Potter
423 Benjamin Bunny	Beatrix Potter
424 Timmy Tiptoes	Beatrix Potter
425 Tom Kitten	Beatrix Potter
426 King of the Golden River	John Ruskin
427 Heroines of History and	Legend Elva S. Smith
428 Heidi	Frau Johanna Spyri
429 Treasure Island	Robert Louis Stevenson
430 Kidnapped	Robert Louis Stevenson
431 Gulliver's Travels	Jonathan Swift
432 Rose and the Ring	William M. Thackeray
433 Prince and the Pauper	Mark Twain
434 Mysterious Island	Jules Verne

PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES

John W. Griffin Helen M. Lombard

Warren Tripp

LIBRARIAN

Doris E. Burnham

LIBRARIAN AT SHORT FALLS BRANCH Ella M. Skinner

VITAL STATISTICS.

Births Registered in the Town of Epsom for the Year ending December 31, 1923.

Birthplace of mother.	Germany Suncook Excter Barrington[Ca. Frome, Out rio, Poland Lawrence, Mass Methuen, Mass.
Birthplace of father.	Germany 16. Epgom 16. Poland Northwood Epsom
Occupation of father.	Mill Foreman Farmer Auto Mechan Farmer Farmer Foultryman Farmer Caborer
Residence of parents.	Epsom : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : :
Color of parents.	All White
Maiden name of mother.	Anna Diegandt Aliee Daniels Agnes R. Leduc Edna E. Rowe Lena Skinner Frances Rakacy Mabel Young
Name of father.	Angust Shupp. Sannel L. Clark Edward B. Demers. George P. Kelley Arthur A. Wells John Jaworski. Allie Barllett Millard J. Yeaton
Color.	All White
No. of child, ist, 2nd, etc.	######################################
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Name of the child (if *ny).	Agnes Shuip F Doris Edua Clark Phillis Demers F Flora Demers M Soda Henry M Neal Austin M Henry Jaworski M Shirley Arlene F Shirley Arlene F Marietta Frances F
Date of birth.	Jags Jan. 31 Epson A A April 8 16 P. D. D. Jane 10 P. F. June 10 July 16 Concord N. July 17 Concord N. July 17 Concord N. July 18 Concord N. J

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

MAURICE C. PHILBRICK, Town Clerk.

Marriages Registered in the Town of Epsom, for the Year ending December 31, 1923.

Name, residence and official station of person by whom married.	Chas. P. MacGregor Clergyman	C. C. Sampson	Clergyman Tilton	Rev. Christina Mackenzie Deerfield	Alfred T. Hillman	Pembroke	Alfred T. Hillman Clergyman Pembroke	Chas. P. MacGregor	Clergyman Manchester	George C. Junkins	Epsom
What marriage.									-		
Occupa- tion,	Farmer	Home Farmer	Farmer		Home		Home	Home Lumber D'l'r	Farmer	Farmer	Farmer
Birthplace of parents.	Epsom Northwood	Temple Epsom	Deerfield	Canada	Sheffield, Vt		Dedham, Mass. Derry Chichester	Deerfield	Conodo	Callada	Russia. Chichester
Names of parents.	Northwood Alvah L. Yeaton	Jessie Keene.	Herbert Merrill Mary S. McDonald	Charles F. Stevens Alma O. M. Worth Herman C. Maloon	Grace Effic Rollins George C. Daniels Dora R. —	George T. Dutton Roxie O. Maloon	Leonard C. Hamilton. Ida M. Durant Walter F. Call	Etta M. Kelley George E. Huckins	Maty A. Buriniam Albert L. Sanders Mary F Demons	Fred Stone	Steve W. Pitcavage
Place of birth of each.	Northwood	Northwood	Deerfield	Epsom	Tilton	Epsom	Litchfield	tive Epsom	:	Suncook	Gilmanton
Occupation of groom and bride.	Farmer	Lumberman . Northwood	Ноше	Farmer Epsom. Telephone Deerfie	Operator Blacksmith	Teacher Epsom	Grocery Cl'k. Litchfield Shoe Chicheste	Operative Clerk	Ноте	Farmer	Ноте
Color.				9			[V				
Age.	27	26	20	: :	26	.: 82 8		19	. 17	19	<u>~</u>
Residence of each at time of marriage.	Epsom	26	Deerfield	Epsom Deerfield	Chichester	Epsom	Chichester.	uckins Epsom	:	:	Gilmanton
Name and surname of groom and bride.	1923 Jan. 1 Manchester John P. Yeaton Epsom		Judith A. Merrill Deerfield	Feb. 10 Deerfield Grover T. Stevens Epsom 33 Hilda Frances Maloon Deerfield 19	June 23 Pembroke Clinton G. Daniels		William O. Hamilton Ellen E. Call	Walter B. Huckins	Ruth E. Sanders	William Stone	Frances F. Pitcavage Gilmanton 18
Place of marriage.	Manchester	30 Tilton		U Deerfield	3 Pembroke		July 1 Fembroke William O. Ellen E. Cal	3 Manchester Walter B. H		Dec. 15 Epsom	
Date of marriage.	1923 Jan.	ත		Feb. 1	June 2		Ame	Oct.		Dec. 1	

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MAURICE C. PHILBRICK, Town Clerk.

Deaths Registered in the Town of Epsom, for the Year ending December 31, 1923.

	Maiden name of mother.	Ann Bickford Elsie Fife Nancy S. Briggs Bina Babb Agnes R. Leduc Maria H. Dustin Margaret D. Waterhouse Laura J. Sanbor Florde Stevens Elizabeth Lane Jane Evans Mary Cate				
	Name of father.	Electived Epsom David Marden Ann Bickford Elisie Frite Epsom Orange John Spurlin Elisie Frite Elise Barnstead John Calvin Brown Eliza Babb Edward B. Demestry Epsom Exeter Edward B. Demest Eliza Babb Eliz				
Place of birth.	Mother.	Retired Epsom. Pembroke Epsom. Pitsfield Pembroke Epsom. Crange Epsom. Crange Epsom. Crange Epsom. Crange Epsom. Exeter Epsom. Epsom. Exeter Epsom. Exeter Epsom. Exeter Epsom. Exeter Epsom. Epsom. Epsom. Epsom. Exeter Epsom. Ep				
Place of	Father.	[Retired Milman Pittsfield				
	Occu- pation.	[Retired Milman Farmer Domestic Farmer Ferd Shoe Fardent Farmer Home I H				
Sex and condition.	Sin., mar. b'biw 10	$> \infty \mathbb{N} \otimes > \infty \otimes \mathbb{N} \otimes \mathbb{N} \otimes > \mathbb{N} \otimes$				
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Sol	Sex.	ZZZEEEZEZEEE				
	Place of birth.	arden 76 3 24 Epsom unlin 63 24 Epsom 76 10 26 Boston, Ms. Fres 118 Barnstand 17 10 Epsom 18 4 30 Pembroke 18 12 Epsom 18 4 30 Pembroke 18 12 Epsom 18 4 30 Pembroke 18 5 19 Alton 18 10 Epsom 19 E				
Age.	Months, Days,	8 : 101 : 25 : 25 : 25 : 25 : 25 : 25 : 25 : 2				
A	Years.	8.50 8.72 8.72 8.74 8.74 8.74 8.74 8.74 8.74 8.74 8.74				
	Name and surname of deceased.	Freeman Marden 76 8 24 Lewis B. Spurlin 63 63 Elbridge K. Spurlin 56 1026 Abbie A. Baker 86 118 Phillis Demers 86 118 Flora Demers 79 8 118 George H. Piper 79 8 118 Clancor Paul'e Haynes 8 122 Annes L. Bickford 64 8 122 Annes E. Silver 85 86 120 Anlice E. Silver 85 87 Alice R. Place 86 22 Abbie Griffin 89 10 23				
	Place of death.	2 Kleon 2 Allenstown. 2 Allenstown. 24 Concord 30 Epsom. 25 2. 22 2. 24 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4				
tth.	Date of dea	Jan. 28 Feb. 25 Mar. 24 Apr. 19 Nay 8 Sept. 27 Oct. 27 Nov. 25				

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

MAURICE D. PHILBRICK, Town Clerk.

Bodies Brought to Epsom for Interment for the Year ending December 31, 1923.

	Maiden name of mother.	Betsey Langley Phoebe Sally G. Goss Abigail Nelson Vera Pierce
	Name of father.	Deerfield . Lemuell Hall . Betesy Langley Amos Alden . Phoebe . Epsom . Jefferson A. Edmunds . Sally G. Goss Barnstead . Roby M. Towle . Abigail Nelson Epsom . Vera Pierce
f birth.	Mother.	Deerfield England Epsom Barnstead Epsom
Place of birth.	Father.	
	Occupa- tion.	W Merchant Epson W Retired England M Carpenter Chichest Home Pittsfield
beir.	Single, mar	
	Color	All White
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	Place of birth.	Ebsom. Eaton, Can. Ebsom. Barnstead Richmond, Vt.
.00	Months.	6 6 17 E. 11 23 E.E. 2 20 Right
Age.	Years.	8 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3
	Name and surname of the deceased.	Hattie W. Hall Oscar L. Hall Susan A. Emerson Frank W. tr'n Edmunds Mary Abigall Smith.
	Place of death.	6 Haverhill, Ms. 28 Boston, Mass. 4 Pittsfield
1	Date of death	Jan. Feb. Apr. May July Oct.

MAURICE C. PHILBRICK, Town Clerk. I hereby certify the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.



